

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of this discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 14, 29, and 38 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 2, 5, 7-11, 16, 17, 19, 23, 25, 28, 30-32, 34, 37, 39-41, and 43-45 are canceled without prejudice by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 1, 2, 5, 7-11, 16, 17, 19, 23, 25, 28, 30-32, 34, 37, 39-41 and 43-45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Brown et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,665,342, herein "Brown"), and Claims 14, 29, and 38 were allowed.

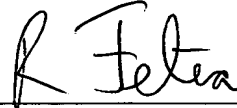
Applicants thank the Examiner for indication of the allowed subject matter. In view of this indication, rejected Claims 1, 2, 5, 7-11, 16, 17, 19, 23, 25, 28, 30-32, 34, 37, 39-41 and 43-45 have been canceled.

Accordingly, entry of the present amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 is respectfully requested as the present amendment only cancels the rejected claims.

Consequently, in light of the above discussion and in view of the present amendment, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance and an early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

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